

IN THE CLAIMS

The status of the claims is reproduced below.

1. (Currently Amended): A method for cleaning a resist residue on a microstructure comprising fluidizing a cleaning agent composition consisting essentially of containing carbon dioxide and a cleaning component under a high pressure of 5 Mpa or more, and bringing the cleaning agent composition into contact with a microstructure, wherein hydrogen fluoride is used as the cleaning component, wherein the hydrogen fluoride concentration in the cleaning agent composition is 0.0001 to 0.05% by mass.

Claim 2: Canceled.

3. (Original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein the cleaning agent composition is prepared by mixing hydrofluoric acid and high-pressure carbon dioxide.

4. (Original): The method according to Claim 3, wherein the water content in the cleaning agent composition is controlled to 0.0001 to 0.5% by mass.

Claim 5: Canceled.

6. (Original): A microstructure cleaned by the method according to Claim 1.

7. (New): A method for cleaning a resist residue on a microstructure comprising:  
fluidizing a cleaning agent composition consisting essentially of carbon dioxide, a  
cleaning component and 1% by mass or more of an alcohol under a pressure of 5 Mpa or  
more, and

bringing the cleaning agent composition into contact with a microstructure, wherein  
hydrogen fluoride is used as the cleaning component, wherein the hydrogen fluoride  
concentration in the cleaning agent composition is 0.0001 to 0.05% by mass.

8. (New): The method according to Claim 7, wherein the cleaning agent composition  
is prepared by mixing hydrofluoric acid and high-pressure carbon dioxide.

9. (New): The method according to Claim 7, wherein the water content in the  
cleaning agent composition is controlled to 0.0001 to 0.5% by mass.

10. (New): A microstructure cleaned by the method according to Claim 7.

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 has been amended to specify a pressure of 5 Mpa or more, which is supported by the specification at page 7. Claim 1 has also been amended to specify the subject matter of Claim 2, now canceled. Claim 5 has been canceled.

Newly-added Claims 7-10 are supported by the specification at pages 3-25 and by the original claims.

No new matter is believed to have been added to the present application by the amendments submitted above.